Why Study in the United States?



- 1. The United States and Canada are neighbors...in every sense of the word. We share the world's longest border, 8,891 km long. Across this border passes \$1.6 billion in goods and 300,000 people per day. Studying in the United States will mean you have a better understanding of Canada's closest trading partner and ally, knowledge that will help you in both the classroom and the workplace. Learn more about the U.S. and Canada: canada.usembassy.gov/canada-us-relations.html
- 2. Access to connections and employment after graduation. Top American companies and organizations recruit at U.S. university campuses each year. Your education at a U.S. school and knowledge of the United States will also make you stand about out among your peers.
- **3. Athletic Scholarships and Opportunities.** Scholarships are available for Canadian students recruited by U.S. institutions in over 25 different sports that include basketball, softball, ice hockey, crew, lacrosse, and bowling. Learn about athletic scholarships and the nation's largest collegiate sports association at http://ncaa.org/.
- **4. Canadian citizens do not need visas to study in the United States.** Canadian citizens only need to obtain an I-20 (or DS-2019) Certificate of Eligibility from the university that they plan to attend. At the time you receive the I-20 (or DS-2019) you will be registered with SEVIS, the student tracking system. Learn more at http://canada.usembassy.gov/visas/visas/canadian-students.html
- **5. Financial aid and scholarships.** Each year, thousands of dollars in financial aid and scholarship money are awarded to deserving international students, including Canadians. Learn more about financial aid opportunities: http://canada.usembassy.gov/educationusacanada.html.
- **6. Diversity of options.** There are over 4,000 accredited colleges and universities in the United State spread across 50 states from coast to coast, in big cities and small towns. Whether it's a small liberal arts college or a big research university, there is a school and a program for you.
- **7. Reputation.** U.S. universities are considered among the best in the world. A degree from a U.S. institution is recognized around the world and will prepare you for your next step in academia or the workplace.
- **8. Resources and Opportunities.** U.S. institutions attract the world's best and the brightest with generous resources, significant research opportunities, and beautiful campuses. Attending a U.S. university could mean working with a Nobel Prize winner in economics or collaborating with a top political scientist on a research project.
- **9. Campus life.** Colleges and universities in the United States are famous for the collegiality of their campuses, where students and professors work and live together. You might break from your morning sociology class for an afternoon of Frisbee on the school quad, and then join your friends for dinner at the nearby dining hall...all during a typical day on campus.

